In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12 and 22 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (canceled)

2. (canceled)

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6. (canceled)

1   7. (currently amended)   A method for enabling identification of a buyer during a

2   transaction, comprising the steps of:

3   generating an electronic portrait that provides a physical identifier of a buyer wherein

4   the electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a verbal

5   description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer, the electronic portrait

6   that provides the physical identifier of the buyer enabling generation of a physical identifier

7   for comparison to the buyer by a seller;

8   storing the electronic portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer at a

9   remote location accessible via the personal device;

10   storing an identifier within the personal device enabling access to the electronic

11   portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer at the remote location; and

12   transmitting the electronic portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer to

13   a seller via a wireless interface during a transaction.

1   8. (previously presented)   The method of Claim 7, wherein the wireless interface

2   comprises a Bluetooth interface.

1   9. (currently amended)   A method for enabling identification of a buyer during

2   a transaction, comprising the steps of:

3   transmitting an identifier enabling access to a remote location from a personal device

4   containing an electronic portrait that provides a physical identifier of the buyer wherein the

5   electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a verbal

6   description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer;

7   receiving the electronic portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer from

8   the remote location, the electronic portrait enabling generation of [a] the physical identifier

9   for comparison to the buyer by a seller using equipment of the seller;

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10   generating the physical identifier from the received electronic portrait;

11   displaying the physical identifier to the seller using equipment of the seller; and

12   completing the transaction if the physical identifier corresponds to the buyer.

1   10. (previously presented)   The method of Claim 9 further comprising the step of

2   interconnecting with the personal device containing the electronic portrait via the bluetooth

3   interface.

1   11. (original) The method of Claim 9 further comprising the step of decrypting the

2   electronic portrait.

    12. (canceled)

    13. (canceled)

1   14. (original) The method of Claim 9 further comprising the steps of comparing the

2   physical identifier to the buyer.

1   15. (original) The method of Claim 9, wherein the step of receiving further

2   comprises receiving from the personal device which is located in a shielded area.

1   16. (currently amended)   A method for enabling identification of a buyer during

2   a transaction, comprising the steps of:

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3   receiving an identifier enabling access to a location remote from the personal device

4   containing [the] <u>an</u> electronic portrait <u>that provides the physical identifier of the buyer</u>

5   <u>wherein the electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the</u>

6   <u>buyer, a verbal description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer;</u>

7   accessing the electronic portrait using the identifier;

8   generating the physical identifier from the received electronic portrait;

9   displaying the physical identifier to the seller using equipment of the seller; and

10   completing the transaction if the physical identifier corresponds to the buyer.

1   17. (original) The method of Claim 9, wherein the short range wireless interface

2   comprises a Bluetooth interface.

1   18. (currently amended)   A method for enabling identification of a buyer during

2   a transaction comprising the steps of:

3   generating an electronic portrait <u>that provides a physical identifier</u> of a buyer <u>wherein</u>

4   <u>the electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a</u>

5   <u>verbal description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer,</u> the electronic

6   portrait enabling generation of [a] <u>the</u> physical identifier for comparison to the buyer by a

7   seller;

8   storing the electronic portrait at a remote location accessible via the personal device;

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9   storing an identifier within the personal device enabling access to the electronic

10   portrait at the remote location;

11   establishing a wireless communications link between a personal device and the seller;

12   receiving the electronic portrait from a buyer via the wireless communications link;

13   generating the physical identifier from the received electronic portrait;

14   displaying the physical identifier to the seller on equipment of the seller; and

15   completing the transaction if the physical identifier corresponds to the buyer.

19. (canceled)

20. (canceled)

1   21. (original)   The method of Claim 18 further comprising the step of decrypting the

2   electronic portrait.

22. (canceled)

23. (canceled)

1   24. (original)   The method of Claim 18, further comprising the step of comparing the

2   physical identifier to the buyer.

1   25. (original) The method of Claim 18, further including the step of placing the

2   electronic device in a shielded area associated with the seller prior to transmitting the

3   electronic portrait.

      26. (canceled)

1   27. (original) The method of Claim 18, wherein the step of receiving further includes

2   the steps of:

3   receiving an identifier enabling access to a location remote from the personal device

4   containing the electronic portrait; and

5   accessing the electronic portrait using the identifier.

1   28. (original) The method of Claim 18, wherein the wireless interface comprises a

2   Bluetooth interface.

1   29. (currently amended)   An electronic personal device enabling identification of

2   a buyer during a transaction comprising:

3   a memory;

4   an identifier enabling access to an electronic portrait that provides a physical

5   identifier of the buyer stored within a remote location wherein the electronic portrait

6   comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a verbal description of the

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7   <u>buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer,</u> the electronic portrait enabling

8   generation of [a] <u>the</u> physical identifier for comparison to the buyer by a seller; and

9   transmission circuitry enabling a wireless communications link between the buyer

10   and the seller for transmission of the identifier.

1   30. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, further including a public

2   key associated with the electronic portrait.

1   31. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, wherein the electronic

2   portrait is part of a certificate.

32. (canceled)

1   33. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, wherein the personal

2   device comprises a mobile telephone.

1   34. (original) The electronic personnel device of Claim 29, wherein the wireless

2   communication link comprises a Bluetooth interface.

1   35. (previously presented)   The method according to Claim 7, further including the

2   step of including an encryption key with the electronic portrait.

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1   36. (previously presented)   The method of Claim 7, further including the step of

2   including a public key with the electronic portrait.

1   37. (previously presented)   The method of Claim 7, further including a private key

2   associated with the electronic portrait.

1   38. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, further including a private

2   key associated with the electronic portrait.

1   39. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, further including an

2   encryption key associated with the electronic portrait.

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